REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the Board of Patent Appeals Decision, Appeal No. 2006-0192, mailed on Mailed June 29, 2006. Claims 1-24 remain in the application. Claims 1, 3 and 5-7 were allowed and the rejection of claims 2, 4 and 8-22 and 24 was reversed by the Board of Appeals. The rejection of claim 23 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, was affirmed because of the period in the 5th line of the claim was improper. Claim 23 has been amended to remove the period and to add a comma in its place, a comma that was intended when a typographical error had placed a comma there. The Board of Appeals stated in their decision that they had no reason to doubt this explanation and acknowledged that Appellant's proposed amendment, the amendment now submitted, would overcome this rejection.

Applicants believe that all of the claims meet the requirements of 35 USC 112 and respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejections and to allow all of the claims. If the Examiner believes that further amendment is required, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at 303-978-3927 to discuss for the purpose of expediting the disposal of this very old, 1997, application.

Respectfully submitted,

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